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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6773 NOTE PREPARED: Dec 27, 2011

BILL NUMBER: SB 227 BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Utility Report of Sewer Rate Increases.

FIRST AUTHOR: Sen. Breaux BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FIRST SPONSOR:

FUNDS AFFECTED: X GENERAL IMPACT: State & Local

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<u>Summary of Legislation</u>: This bill requires a sewer utility to report to the standing legislative committees with jurisdiction over utility matters if the utility seeks: (1) a single rate increase of more than 10%; or (2) rate increases of at least 2% in each of five consecutive years.

Effective Date: July 1, 2012.

Explanation of State Expenditures: *Standing Legislative Committees:* This bill would require the standing legislative committees with jurisdiction over utility matters to receive reports from sewer utilities. There should be no impact on state expenditures.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Local expenditures could increase to the extent that this bill would require a municipally owned utility to report to the standing legislative committees with jurisdiction over utility matters if the utility seeks a single rate increase of more than 10% or rate increases of at least 2% for five consecutive years. Any increase in expenditures is expected to be minimal.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected: General Assembly.

Local Agencies Affected: Municipally-owned utilities.

Information Sources:

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